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MANILA FOR USADB/PASS TREASURY ZINMAN/GONZALES

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SUBJECT: CONGRESSIONAL/TREASURY PROJECT VISIT:

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1. FORTY ROOMS CONFIRMED NIGHTS APRIL 21 AND 22. ALL ROOMS AT INTERNATIONAL STANDARD, NEWLY OPENED ISLANDER HOTEL ARE DOUBLES EACH CONTAINING TWO SINGLE BEDS. HOTEL LOCATED TEN MINUTES FROM AIRPORT IN WAIGANI VALLEY WHICH IS TEN MINUTES FROM CENTRAL PORT MORESBY.

2. REQUEST TREASURY CONTACT DOD SOONEST AND ADVISE NUMBER OF HOTEL ROOMS REQUIRED FOR FLIGHT CREW. CONGEN PREPARED TO RENT TWO PRIVATE AVIS PASSENGER VEHICLES FOR CREW SINCE OUR OFFICIAL MOTOR POOL CONSISTS OF ONLY TWO VEHICLES WHICH WILL BE ASSIGNED OFFICIAL CONGRESSIONAL PARTY. ADVISE ACCOUNTING FISCAL DATA FOR AVIS VEHICLES RENTAL.

3. APPRECIATE FIRM UP AND TRANSMITTAL OF EXACT NUMBER AND FOR OFFICIAL PARTY AND FLIGHT CREW SOONEST SINCE BOOKINGS ARE EXTREMELY TIGHT IN PORT MORESBY.

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4. WE ARE STAFFING OUT SCHEDULE WITH DFRT ASSISTANCE AND

WILL FORWARD ASAP.

5. REGARDING VISAS, DEPARTMENT SHOULD COORDINATE WITH AUSTRALIAN EMBASSY. CHOLERA SHOTS ARE REQUIRED AND SINCE AREAS OUTSIDE PORT MORESBY ARE MALARIAL, ADEQUATE PRECAUTIONS SHOULD BE TAKEN. SUGGEST PARTY TAKE MALARIA SUPPRESSANTS AT LEAST ONE WEEK BEFORE DEPARTURE FROM U.S.

6. DOD REQUIREMENTS SHOULD BE FORWARDED AS SOON AS AVAILABLE ESPECIALLY IF DOD PERSONNEL PLAN TO LIAISE WITH PNG OR AUSTRALIAN MILITARY WHILE IN PORT MORESBY. AS DEPT IS AWARE, TRANSFER OF RESPONSIBILITY FROM AUSTRALIAN MILITARY TO PNG TOOK PLACE THIS WEEK AND, CONSEQUENTLY, DOD ARRANGEMENTS SHOULD TAKE THIS INTO ACCOUNT.

7. CONGEN HAS FOLLOWING SPECIFIC QUESTIONS:

A. ARE WIVES ACCOMPANYING AND, IF SO, APPROXIMATE NUMBER.

B. DOES OFFICIAL PARTY WISH AFTERNOON APRIL 21 KEPT FREE FOR SIGHTSEEING, REST AND SHOPPING, OR COULD CONGEN PROVIDE ITS BRIEFING MID OR LATE AFTERNOON WITH POSSIBLE GENERAL GPNG BRIEFING SAME DAY?

C. HOW LONG IS FLIGHT TIME FROM HONOLULU TO PORT MORESBY?

D. WILL LUNCH APRIL 21 BE EATEN ABOARD PLANE OR SHOULD WE MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR LUNCH IN PORT MORESBY?

E. IS TREASURY FUNDING OFFICIAL PARTY EXPENSES?

F. CONSUL GENERAL WOULD LIKE TO SPONSOR FUNCTION EITHER EVENING OF APRIL 21 OR 22 IF AGREEABLE. WE ALSO EXPECT GOVERNMENT MAY WISH TO DO SOMETHING THE ALTERNATE EVENING. PLEASE ADVISE IF DELEGATION HAS OBJECTIONS.
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